

MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF IRVINGTON, NEW YORK HELD ON MONDAY FEBRUARY 22, 1994 8:00 P.M. TRUSTEES MEETING ROOM, 85 MAIN STREET, IRVINGTON, NEW YORK.

Present: Robert D. Reisman, Mayor
Dennis P. Flood, Trustee
Garrard R. Beeney, Trustee
Robert H. Pouch, Trustee
A. Barrett Seaman, Trustee
Stephen A. McCabe, Administrator
Lawrence S. Schopfer, Clerk-Treasurer
Richard Denike, Police Chief
Robert M. Bauer, Superintendent of Public Works
Eugene Hughey, Building Inspector

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Reisman who led the attendance in the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Mayor Reisman requested a moment of silence for long-time Zoning Board Member and recently deceased Horace McAfee.

Mayor Reisman opened the floor to public comment. There was none.

A motion was made by Trustee Seaman and seconded by Trustee Pouch and unanimously approved to approve the minutes of the Village Board meeting of February 7, 1994.

Mayor Reisman reviewed correspondence from: Ruth Hahn, Hudson River Management Corporation, John M. Hepburn, George Rowe, Jr., Stuart Goldberg, and Westchester Community Opportunity Program, Inc. Copies of the correspondence is attached hereto as a part of these minutes.

Mayor Reisman announced that there would be a public hearing regarding a proposed local law regarding street openings on March 7, 1994.

Mayor Reisman announced that there would be a public hearing held on March 30, 1994 to consider an amendment to the zoning ordinance with respect to home offices in single family residence districts.

Mayor Reisman indicated that the Board had received an environmental assessment review form pursuant to a proposed amendment to the zoning ordinance with respect to home offices in single family residence districts. Upon a motion made by Trustee Pouch and seconded by Trustee Seaman and unanimously approved, the Board stated its intention to declare itself lead agency with respect to the environmental review.

Trustee Seaman reported that the Water Department had been busy repairing a sewer stoppage on Hamilton Road and clearing snow from fire hydrants. In addition, he indicated that the bids for the Catskill Connection project would be sent out during March 1994.

Trustee Pouch indicated that a Library Board meeting was scheduled for February 23, 1994. With respect to the Recreation program, Trustee Pouch indicated that the Village recently met with the Irvington School District regarding the renewal of the JORAM agreement. He indicated that the School was considering not renewing the agreement. Mayor Reisman emphasized that such a decision would exclude all non-residents who reside within the Irvington School District from any Recreation program or Village parks. He noted further that school crossing guards and extra garbage pickup may no longer be provided by the Village. A School Board meeting is planned for March 8, 1994 to address this issue.

Trustee Flood reported on the progress of the Below Market housing project. He noted that Westchester County is preparing Requests for Proposals for construction on the site. In addition, an easement has been requested from the Archdiocese of New York and the non-profit organization structure has been contemplated. He emphasized that there are no New York State funds involved with this project. In connection with the RFP's being prepared, Trustee Flood indicated that there has been consideration given to whether the original facade of the Church will be retained or removed during this project. Based upon the Village consultant's opinion, the structure would need a large amount of repair in order to make it structurally sound. A member of the audience, John Dedyo, questioned the work of the Village consultant. In addition, Barbara Denyer, recommended that the Village attempt to keep the facade.

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Trustee Flood noted that there was a Cable TV Committee meeting which addressed the issue of simulcasting of local programming.

Trustee Beeney indicated that the Irvington Police Department had gained accreditation with the New York State Department of Criminal Justice. He noted that inspectors were sent to determine whether the department strictly adhered to 169 different standards. The results were positive and the department will become 1 of only 50 other departments (out of 400 in New York) to become accredited.

Village Administrator Steve McCabe noted that the Village received notice that there would be a public hearing in Dobbs Ferry to discuss the renovation of the Chart House restaurant. In addition, a notice was received that Dobbs Ferry intends to declare itself lead agency for a review of site plan application by a cellular phone company. In addition, a notice was received that a public hearing would be held so that certain areas within Dobbs Ferry could be changed from single family to 2/3 family zoning.

Upon a motion made by Trustee Flood and seconded by Trustee Pouch and unanimously approved, the Board approved payment of the February bills subject to audit.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded and unanimously approved, the Board adjourned to executive session to take up litigation and personnel matters.

After reconvening from executive session, there being no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned.

Lawrence S. Schopfer, Clerk-Treasurer

Attachments